



**Australian  
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**Labour Force  
at a glance  
Victoria**

**1989**

Civilian population aged 15 years and over	Males	Females	Persons
February 1989, ('000)	1,649.1	1,708.9	3,358.0

Labour force, February 1989	Employed ( <sup>'000</sup> )	Unemployed ( <sup>'000</sup> )	Unemployment rate (per cent)
Males	1,185.4	67.7	5.4
Females	818.4	68.1	7.7
Persons	2,003.8	135.8	6.3
Aged -			
15-19 years	185.5	42.6	18.7
20-24 years	280.4	22.4	7.4
25-34 years	535.7	30.8	5.4
35-44 years	494.8	21.7	4.2
45-54 years	318.7	9.1	2.8
55 years and over	188.7	9.2	4.6
Total	2,003.8	135.8	6.3

Labour force aged 15-19 years (February)	1979	1984	1989
Employed persons	<sup>'000</sup> 173.2	147.4	185.5
Unemployed persons	<sup>'000</sup> 37.6	51.2	42.6
Unemployment rate	per cent 17.8	25.8	18.7
Participation rate	per cent 61.1	57.8	62.3

### Employment Summary, Australia, States and Territories, February 1989

	Civilian population aged 15 and over ( <sup>'000</sup> )	Civilian employment ( <sup>'000</sup> )	Unemployment rate (per cent)
Victoria	3,358.0	2,003.8	6.3
New South Wales	4,460.6	2,539.5	7.2
Queensland	2,143.0	1,242.2	8.4
South Australia	1,119.0	643.2	8.6
Western Australia	1,208.0	743.3	6.4
Tasmania	344.9	183.2	11.5
Northern Territory	110.8	76.5	7.7
Australian Capital Territory	202.7	138.0	5.8
Australia	12,947.1	7,569.7	7.3

**Civilian population aged 15 years and over by labour force status, Victorian Regions, February 1989**

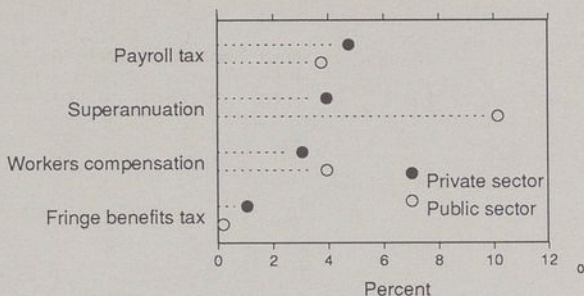
Region	Employed ( <sup>'000</sup> )	Unemployed ( <sup>'000</sup> )	Unemploy- ment rate (per cent)	Participation rate (per cent)
Melbourne Statistical Division -	1,465.0	83.5	5.4	64.6
Outer Western Melbourne	214.0	11.9	5.3	63.0
North Western Melbourne	110.5	6.4	5.5	64.1
Inner Melbourne	112.6	11.2	9.0	67.6
North Eastern Melbourne	186.9	10.5	5.3	64.6
Inner Eastern Melbourne	223.9	12.1	5.1	64.6
Southern Melbourne	185.4	9.2	4.7	63.1
Outer Eastern Melbourne	211.6	11.8	5.3	69.5
Mornington Peninsula	220.0	10.5	4.5	62.1
Rest of Victoria -	538.8	52.3	8.8	61.4
South Western Victoria	137.1	13.5	9.0	60.3
Western Victoria	110.2	10.0	8.3	61.6
Northern Victoria	171.1	18.1	9.6	60.9
Eastern Victoria	120.5	10.6	8.1	63.4
Total Victoria	2,003.8	135.8	6.3	63.7

**Employment by industry (February)**

	1979 (per cent)	1989 (per cent)
Industry dissection, proportion of total employment -		
Agriculture, forestry, fishing, and hunting	6.0	5.2
Mining	*0.2	0.4
Manufacturing	24.3	19.5
Electricity, gas, and water	2.3	1.8
Construction	6.8	7.4
Wholesale and retail trade	20.0	20.9
Transport and storage	5.5	4.6
Communication	2.4	2.2
Finance, property, and business services	7.9	10.6
Public Administration and defence	4.4	4.6
Community services	14.8	17.4
Recreational, personal, and other services	5.4	5.4

\* Sampling variability too high for most practical purposes

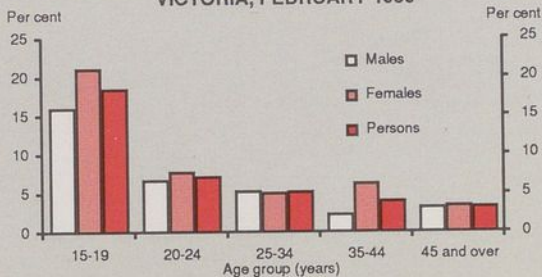
# MAJOR LABOUR COSTS: RATIO OF OTHER LABOUR COSTS TO EARNINGS BY SECTOR, VICTORIA 1986-87



## Employment by occupation, February 1989

	Males ('000)	Females ('000)	Persons ('000)
Managers and administrators	172.8	57.2	230.0
Professionals	160.9	93.6	254.5
Para-professionals	64.6	51.2	115.8
Tradespersons	290.0	26.5	316.5
Clerks	80.2	261.6	341.8
Salespersons and personal and service workers	95.0	174.8	269.7
Plant and machine operators and drivers	139.4	44.1	183.4
Labourers and related workers	182.5	109.5	292.0
Total	1,185.4	818.4	2,003.8

## UNEMPLOYMENT RATE BY SEX AND AGE GROUP, VICTORIA, FEBRUARY 1989





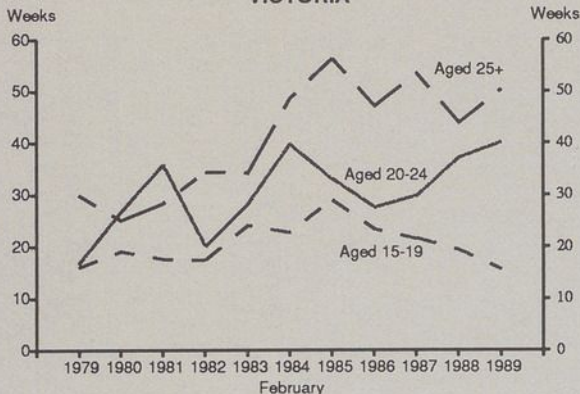
# Aspects of Unemployment, February 1989

	Number ('000)			Unemployment rate (per cent)		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
Total unemployed	67.7	68.1	135.8	5.4	7.7	6.3
Regional distribution -						
Melbourne Statistical Division	40.0	43.6	83.5	4.5	6.7	5.4
Rest of Victoria	27.7	24.6	52.3	7.8	10.5	8.8
Looking for -						
Full-time work	56.6	45.0	101.5	4.9	8.2	5.9
Part-time work	11.1	23.2	34.3	12.5	6.9	8.0
Marital status -						
Married	25.7	27.0	52.6	3.3	5.3	4.1
Not married	42.0	41.2	83.2	9.0	10.9	9.8
Age distribution (years) -						
15-19	18.9	23.8	42.6	16.2	21.3	18.7
20-24	10.8	11.6	22.4	6.9	8.0	7.4
25-34	18.6	12.2	30.8	5.5	5.3	5.4
35-44	7.6	14.1	21.7	2.5	6.5	4.2
45-54	*4.3	4.8	9.1	*2.2	3.7	2.8
55 and over	7.4	*1.8	9.2	5.1	*3.3	4.6
Birthplace -						
Born in Australia	47.1	51.7	98.8	5.4	7.8	6.5
Born outside Australia -						
Main English speaking countries	*3.9	6.1	10.0	*3.3	8.1	5.2
Other than main English speaking countries	16.7	10.4	27.1	6.3	6.9	6.5
Arrived before 1986	13.5	12.0	25.5	3.9	6.0	4.7
Arrived from 1986 to 1989	7.1	*4.5	11.6	18.8	*17.6	18.3
Duration of unemployment (weeks) -						
Under 2	*3.3	9.5	12.8	..	..	..
2 and under 4	8.0	12.6	20.7	..	..	..
4 and under 8	11.4	12.8	24.2	..	..	..
8 and under 13	8.2	9.5	17.7	..	..	..
13 and under 26	12.3	7.1	19.5	..	..	..
26 and under 52	7.2	6.3	13.4	..	..	..
52 and over	17.2	10.4	27.6	..	..	..
			Duration of unemployment (weeks)			
Average (mean) duration	48.8	26.5	37.6	..	..	..
Median duration	14.0	7.0	9.0	..	..	..

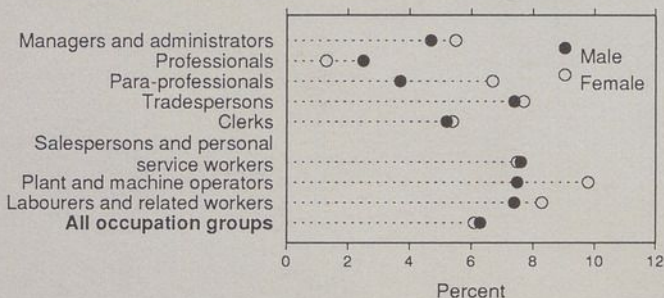
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# AVERAGE DURATION OF UNEMPLOYMENT VICTORIA



## AWARD RATES OF PAY: ANNUAL PERCENTAGE CHANGE BY OCCUPATION AND SEX, VICTORIA, JUNE 1988 - JUNE 1989



**Employed wage and salary earners, November 1988 ('000)**

	Males	Females	Persons
Government -			
Commonwealth	64.6	32.8	97.4
State	165.4	151.5	316.9
Local	23.4	21.1	44.5
Total government	253.5	205.4	458.8
Private Sector	701.3	553.3	1,254.6
Total	954.8	758.6	1,713.4

**Average weekly earnings (November)**

		1987	1988
Full-time adult males	\$	522.30	562.70
Full-time adult females	\$	408.10	445.70

**Job vacancies (November)**

		1987	1988
All persons:			
Industry -			
Manufacturing	'000	3.8	4.5
Other	'000	7.5	15.1
Sector -			
Private	'000	8.3	15.0
Government	'000	3.0	4.6

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